

IN THE CLAIMS:

The text of all pending claims, (including withdrawn claims) is set forth below. Cancelled and not entered claims are indicated with claim number and status only. The claims as listed below show added text with underlining and deleted text with ~~striketrough~~. The status of each claim is indicated with one of (original), (currently amended), (cancelled), (withdrawn), (new), (previously presented), or (not entered).

Please CANCEL claim 15 without prejudice or disclaimer and AMEND claims 7, 18, 21 and 42 in accordance with the following:

1-6. (CANCELLED)

7. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A method of updating commodity catalog information recorded on a medium using a recording/reproducing apparatus, the method comprising:

if the medium is mounted in the apparatus, accessing a server corresponding to the commodity catalog information written on the medium through a computer network, after user registration;

if a link is set up with the corresponding server, checking whether there is a commodity item to be updated/edited in the commodity catalog information written on a predetermined read-only area of the medium;

if there is a commodity item to be updated/edited, transmitting the corresponding commodity catalog information from the server to the apparatus;

writing the transmitted commodity catalog information on a rewriteable area of the medium;

displaying the commodity catalog information recorded on the rewriteable area of the medium for retrieval after said writing the transmitted commodity catalog information,

wherein, during said displaying of the commodity catalog information, the commodity catalog information is marked so that an updated portion and a non-updated portion are distinguished from each other.

8. (ORIGINAL) The method according claim 7, wherein the updated portion and the non-updated portion are marked with different colors.

9. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method according claim 7, further comprising recording a purchase order based on the retrieval of the commodity catalog information from the

medium.

10. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method according claim 7, wherein said checking whether there is a commodity item to be updated/edited is performed through communication with the commodity information server.

11-17. (CANCELLED)

18. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A method of purchasing from and updating commodity catalog information recorded on a medium, comprising:

accessing a server corresponding to existing commodity catalog information read from the medium, after user registration;

receiving updated commodity catalog information from the server; and

writing the received updated commodity catalog information on a writeable area of the medium,

wherein:

the existing commodity catalog information is written in a read-only area of the medium, and

the updated commodity catalog information is written in a write once area of the medium.

19. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method according to claim 18, wherein:

the existing commodity catalog information has a corresponding age that is read from the medium,

the updated commodity catalog information has a corresponding age that is read from the server, and

said receiving the updated commodity catalog information comprises

comparing the ages of the existing and updated commodity catalog information, and

receiving the updated commodity catalog information where the ages are different.

20. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method according to claim 19, wherein the existing commodity catalog information comprises original commodity catalog information written

in the read-only area of the medium, and previously updated commodity catalog information written in the writeable area of the medium.

21. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A method of purchasing from and updating commodity catalog information recorded on a medium, comprising:

accessing a server corresponding to existing commodity catalog information read from the medium, after user registration;

receiving updated commodity catalog information from the server;

writing the received updated commodity catalog information on a writeable area of the medium; and

displaying both the existing and updated commodity catalog information such that the updated commodity catalog information is marked to be distinguishable from the existing commodity catalog information,

wherein:

the existing commodity catalog information is written in a read-only area of the medium,

the existing commodity catalog information has a corresponding age that is read from the medium,

the updated commodity catalog information has a corresponding age that is read from the server, and

said receiving the updated commodity catalog information comprises

comparing the ages of the existing and updated commodity catalog information, and

receiving the updated commodity catalog information where the ages are different.

22. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method according to claim 18, further comprising making a purchase of a commodity using the existing and/or updated commodity catalog information.

23. (ORIGINAL) The method according to claim 22, further comprising receiving a purchase record from the server after said making the purchase, and writing the purchase record to the writeable area of the medium.

24. (ORIGINAL) The method according to claim 21, further comprising making a purchase of a commodity using the existing and/or updated commodity catalog information.

25. (ORIGINAL) The method according to claim 24, further comprising receiving a purchase record from the server after said making the purchase, and writing the purchase record to the writeable area of the medium.

26-41. (CANCELLED)

42. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A recording/reproducing medium, comprising:
a read-only area in which original commodity catalog information is written; and
a writeable area in which updated commodity catalog information is written when provided by a server, after user registration,
wherein said writeable area comprises:
a write once area to which data can be written once; and
a rewriteable area to which data can be repeatedly written and/or from which data can be erased.

43. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The recording/reproducing medium according to claim 42, wherein said read-only area comprises
a first area in which the original commodity catalog information as of a manufacture time of the medium is written, and
a second area in which an encrypted key of a vendor is written.

44. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The recording/reproducing medium according to claim 42, wherein said writeable area comprises
a first area in which a commodity catalog information update date is written,
a second area in which updated commodity catalog information is written,
a third area in which commodity purchase information is written, and
a fourth area for a user's private information.

45. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The recording/reproducing medium according to claim 42, wherein said writeable area is an area in which predetermined information is repeatedly written by the server and a user.

46. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The recording/reproducing medium according to claim 43, wherein said writeable area comprises

a first area in which a commodity catalog information update date is written,
a second area in which updated commodity catalog information is written,
a third area in which commodity purchase information is written, and
a fourth area for a user's private information.

47. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The recording/reproducing medium according to claim 46, wherein said writeable area is an area in which predetermined information is repeatedly written by the server and the user.

48. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The recording/reproducing medium according to claim 42, wherein said writeable area comprises an area to which information is optically written.

49. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The recording/reproducing medium according to claim 42, wherein said writeable area comprises an area to which information is magnetically written.